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Minutes of the Joint Committee Meeting  
of  
The House Standing Committee on Oversight and Ethics  
and  
The House Standing Committee on Tax Policy

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Tuesday, March 10, 2015

3:00 p.m.

Room 519, House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Oversight and Ethics was called to order by Representative Ed McBroom, Chair.

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The Clerk called the roll; members present were **Representatives McBroom, Howrylak, Graves, Theis, Robinson, and Pagan. (6/6)**

The Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

The Chair laid before the committee the minutes of February 25, 2015 as printed.

**Representative Tice moved to adopt the minutes of February 25, 2015 as printed. There being no objection the motion prevailed by unanimous consent of the members present; the minutes were adopted as printed.**

The Oversight and Ethics Chair turned the gavel over to the Tax Policy Chair.

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At 3:01 p.m., the House Standing Committee on Tax Policy was called to order by Representative Jeff Farrington, Chair.

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The Clerk called the roll; members present were **Representatives Farrington, Maturen, Somerville, Yonker Howrylak Chatfield, Glenn Iden, Webber, Townsend Clemente, Lavoy, and Byrd. (13/13)**

The Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

The Tax Policy Chair turned the gavel over to the Oversight and Ethics Chair.

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The Chair laid before the committee a presentation given by the Office of Auditor General (OAG).

Elden N. Lamb, Audit Division Administrator in the Office of the Auditor General, provided each member of the committee with copies of the Performance Audit of the Brownfield

Redevelopment Financing Program, Michigan Department of Environment Quality, Michigan Strategic Fund, and Michigan Department of Treasury (Report Number 271-0420-14, June 2014), which are attached, and introduced Tracy L. Jelneck, C.P.A. Assistant Auditor General in the Office of the Auditor General, who gave an overview of the audit. Discussion and questions followed.

Sarah M. Howes, Legislative Liaison in the Executive Division of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, introduced the following individuals, who provided the departments' response to the audit report:

Carrie L. Geyer, P.E., Chief of the Brownfield Redevelopment Program in the Remediation and Redevelopment Division in the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality;

Howard Ryan, Administrator in the Legislative Affairs Division in the Bureau of Executive Operations in the Michigan Department of Treasury;

Joel Freeman, Vice –President of Governmental Relations in the Michigan Economic Development Corporation;

Deborah Stuart, Director of Community Development Financial Incentive Packages in the Michigan Economic Development Corporation. Discussion and questions followed.

The Oversight and Ethics Chair turned the gavel over to the Tax Policy Chair.

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There being no other business before the Tax Policy Committee; the Chair declared the Committee adjourned, the time being 3:58 p.m.

The Tax Policy Chair turned the gavel over to the Oversight and Ethics Chair.

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There being no other business before the Oversight and Ethics Committee; **Representative Robinson moved to adjourn the meeting.**

The motion prevailed, the time being 3:59 p.m.

The Chair declared the Committee adjourned.

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Ed McBroom, Chair  
House Standing Committee on Oversight and Ethics

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Joy Brewer, Committee Clerk

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Date approved by the committee